

# WHAT THE SCOUTS ARE UP TO

Announcement has been made by local headquarters that Secretary Danforth has donated the cup which is to be presented to the Boy Scout making the best showing at the contest to be staged on the Monument Grounds April 29. Inspectors of the police department are to be the judges.

## Studying Advanced First Aid.

Scout Edward Chapin is the first scout to take advantage of the offer of Dr. W. P. C. of the Emergency Hospital to instruct scouts in advanced first aid work. Only scouts who have received a merit badge for first aid are eligible to take up the work. Scout Chapin was on duty at the hospital during the past week, and next week Kenneth Livingstone is to succeed him.

## Scoutmasters to Meet.

A meeting of the Scoutmasters' Club has been called for 8 o'clock tomorrow night in the boys' department of the Y. M. C. A. Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock the scout drum and bugle corps is to practice at the Naval Battalion armory.

## News From the Troops.

Communications have been received from troop scribers as follows:

### Troop 49.

"The regular meeting of Troop 49 was called to order by Scoutmaster Franco at 7:30. Expenses of the past few months were gone over, and it was found that the funds are low. Mr. Metterson of Philadelphia talked to us for about fifteen minutes, suggesting a way of putting money in the treasury. A quorum was present, and it was voted to accept the suggestions of the Scoutmaster and senior patrol leader both introduced suggestions, which seemed much improved. The plan is to have an emblem resembling Camp Butts with the exception that it will be in blue and white and Troop 49 in red and white. The Drum, Pipe and Bugle Corps, which was started a few months ago, is rapidly increasing in both size and quality."

### Troop 46.

"Last Saturday six of the boys went to Chain Bridge to practice signaling, but it was so foggy we could not see the flags. Wednesday night the boys went on a hike up the river and had lots of fun."

### Troop 15.

"At the regular meeting of the troop Friday two new scouts passed the tenderfoot test, namely, E. Norton and F. Nimmo. The scoutmaster appointed H. Wright and F. Horsemann patrol leaders of the Wood Pigeon and Eagle patrols, also B. McGinness secretary and G. Jacobson scout leader. Flag drills, lessons in signaling and general exercises were given by the scoutmaster, and the grand finale of the evening was a concerted attack on the enemy. On the following Sunday the scoutmaster took the troop on its first hike since reorganization, and the patrol leaders, with trail and sign practice, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all."

### Troop 10.

"Scout William Roy of Troop 10 rode over to Baltimore on a bicycle on Friday. Five others were in the party. This means a run of eighty miles in one day and should qualify for the merit badge on cycling. It is hoped as soon as the weather gets settled and warmer that the merit badge class for cycling will be completed and the test next month."

### Troop 30.

"George Davis of Troop 30 was our guest last week. He was accompanied by a friend, Clarence Schaefer and R. Shaw passed their tenderfoot tests and also took the scout oath. After the meeting we had a very fine ball game. We had four goals and expect to play very soon. Last Saturday Irving Maloney invited the troop to the Leader Theater."

### Troop 17.

"We did not hold a very long meeting, on account of the church having a prayer meeting. After dues had been collected and everybody was married present we walked down to the ellipse, where we took our running test. Our scoutmaster said everybody was doing well. After a short rest and one-half hour of rest, our meeting will be as usual at 7 p.m."

### Troop 25.

"Troop 25 held its meeting as usual at the Whitney Avenue Club on Friday. The troop had two visitors from Troop 35, Edward Chapin and Hugh Johnson, who gave us many good suggestions on troop work. Birton Luck was appointed troop carrier by the scoutmaster. The troop got many good suggestions from the Scout in Baltimore, which was read by the scoutmaster. After the meeting the troop drilled. The hike of Saturday last was a great success."

### Troop 21.

"Last Friday we held a meeting at our shack in the woods, and after practicing bandage and signaling we decided to meet there again Saturday at 2 o'clock. We spent the afternoon cleaning up around the shack, and at the next meeting the girls are to bring essays written upon that the next lesson."

### Troop 19—Mrs. H. N. Stailey, Captain.

The troop met at the home of Hester Gulick, patrol leader, and the scribe was reported sick. The essays on the first lesson were passed in. The topic under discussion was "The Girl Scout and the Boy Scout." The girls are to bring essays written upon that the next lesson."

### Troop 20, Daisy Troop—Mrs. Leon Arnold, Captain.

At its meeting last Thursday the troop was very happy. Mary Newton passed her tenderfoot test. The majority of the bigger girls are rehearsing for their scout play to be given at New Masonic Temple tomorrow, April 26.

### Troop 36.

"Friday night the troop held its meeting, as usual. Four new boys expect to take their tenderfoot examinations next Friday. As soon as the weather permits the base ball team will begin practice."

### Troop 42.

"Troop 42 took a hike last Sunday through Rock Creek Park. Mr. Borden of the National Radio School was there with a fine portable wireless set. An aerial was made with a couple of branches and some wire and the set was ready for use after the aerial had been fastened in a large oak. After receiving a message or two the set was packed up and the hike home was started. The patrol leader and other scouts went to make a trail for the rest of us to follow. We lost the trail at times, but found it again, and finally found the leaders at Klinglie Road bridge, and then proceeded home. As several of the scouts have wireless sets the troop has formed a radio club. In the Easter holidays the troop is planning to take an all-night hike."

Jefferson Bradley School held its second meeting March 24 in the kindergarten room of the Jefferson School. Miss M. J. Jarboe is its captain and Miss Fitzhugh its assistant captain.

It was decided that the girls would earn their money by selling boxes of burnt almond chocolates, which their captain was appointed to sell. Saturday, April 1, the girls bore down on the public buildings. Another girl was admitted, making in all eighteen enrolled as probationers. They were absent, one because of death in the family, and the other will give her excuse this week.

Troop 4, Red Rose, Noel House—Miss Treat, Captain.

Girl Scouts of Troop 4 met at Noel House gymnasium at their regular

meeting time. Annie Kyle and Blanche Hulbar received their tenderfoot examination, and found that they had successfully passed. After a short meeting it was decided to take a hike to the mouth of the Eastern branch. They paced half way back and walked the rest of the way. When they got back they had their captain good-bye. She has gone to Panama for a month. They will now have Miss Harlow and Miss Blair for leaders.

Troop 10—Mrs. F. P. Wilcox, Captain.

Troop 10 learned to put on bandages at its last meeting, when they also had an interested visitor. They are planning to spend a week in the country camping during vacation.

## What the Schools are Up to

Rehearsals for the Shakespeare pageant to be given this spring by the schools of Washington are being carried on regularly at Western High School. Western is to furnish the "queen" in the pageant for one performance, and the servants of the lord chamberlain, besides the scene from "A Midsummer Night's Dream." It was first planned that Western should present two scenes, but on account of limitations only one will be staged. Miss Merrill of the Western faculty is in charge of the production.

Troop 6, Pansy, Petworth—Mrs. S. A. Moores, Captain.

Troop 6 of Petworth celebrated its second anniversary Friday, March 24, at the residence of the captain.

A feature of the evening was the beautiful music furnished by the "Musical McCarthy Family," who volunteered their services to the Girl Scouts. The program included piano solos, songs, and recitations. The evening was a great success.

Miss Ellen Fitz Pendleton, president of Wellesley College, gave a fifteen-minute address on "College Life." She spoke on "College Life."

Tuesday Dr. Abram Simon delivered an address on "Ethics," the fifth of a series of lectures on ethics and morals.

The members of Western basketball team, champions of the city, were given a game by the girls of the school March 24 at the Dupont garage hall. The game was a close one, with the girls winning by a score of 15 to 12.

Clara Conrad, '16 (February class), gave a recitation on "The Garden of Eden." The recitation was well received.

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# How to Torture the Father of the Smartest Baby on Earth.—By Webster

"WELL, IF IT ISN'T OLD ED BROWN! I'LL BET HE'S SPRIDED TO KNOW I'M A FATHER!"

"HEL-LO, JIM! HOW'S A BOY? I HAVEN'T SEEN YA FOR YEARS!"

"BY GEORGE, I'M GLAD TO SEE YA! HOW YA BEEN ANYWAY? I'VE BEEN OUT WEST FOR THE LAST 3 YEARS! GREAT COUNTRY THAT!"

"S'POSE YOU'RE SPRIDED TO KNOW I'M MAR—"

"DIDJA KNOW I WAS A FATH—"

"SOME TIMES WE USETA HAVE WITH TH GANG AT GRAMERCY PARK, HEY JIM? REMEMBER TH TIME I DREW 2 AN FILED A SPADE STRAIGHT FLUSH AN OLD BILL JOHNSTON WAS SITIN' THERE WITH 4 JACKS PAT? HAW! HAW! THEM WAS TH HAPPY DAYS!"

"BLA-SK-BLUB-OOB-FLINSK!"

"GOTTA BE ON MY WAY! S' LONG! CALL ME UP SOME TIME AN' WE'LL HAVE LUNCH TOGETHER."

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